SAYS HE WANTS TO BE GOVERNOR OF KANSAS.

AN AVOWED CANDIDATE

NOT WANT TO BE INSURANCE SUPERINTENDENT AGAIN.

Judge Ed Pfost on Breidenthal's Candidacy-Speaker Osborn Prods His Critics-Cy Leland as Czar of Kansas City-Kansas Gossip.

TOPEKA, KAS., June 24 .- (Special.) Webb McNall is an avowed candidate for the Populist nomination for governor next year. He told The Journal correspondent so in so many words upon his return from the East the other day. He realizes that John Breidenthal will be a strong candidate, but believes Breidenthal has too many positive enemies among the state workers to win. McNall says he is certain of having the support of the Leedy and Lewelling factions, and he hopes to muster enough additional strength around the edges to land the nomination.

They seem very anxious to switch me

Vincent-Semple faction of Pops declare it would never do to nominate McNall. They say his record as insurance superintendent would be made the main state issue by the Republicans, and that there would not be enough Populists left in Kansas after the election is over to hold a town-ship caucus. Breidenthal is the only man, they declare, who can make a respectable showing at the polls.

"I see the Pop bosses have met and decreed that Breidenthal shall be forced on ns as the nominee for governor next year," said Ed Pfost, ex-city judge of Kansas City, Kas., and a Leedy striker. "Well, we will see about that. Maybe the common people will have something to say about that. If they do, Breidenthal will not be the nominee."

the nominee."
"I am not surprised to hear Pfost talk that way," said a clerk in Breidenthal's office, "He and Breidenthal are not on good terms. They fell out when Breidenthal caught him in the act of soliciting campaign funds under false pretenses in the ISSE campaign. Pfost went to Lawrence and represented that Levely was stranded in resented that Leedy was stranded in stern Kansas and that he would have Western Kansas and that he would have to abandon the campaign and walk home if some assistance was not given him. This hard luck talk enabled Pfost to rake in a good many shekels until Breidenthal, who was chairman of the Pop state committee, heard of it and called Pfost down. Leedy was not stranded. On the other hand, he had plenty of funds. Pfost never accounted for the funds which he collected. Breidenthal reported the bunco' game to Leedy and after the election protested against the administration giving Pfost anything. But Leedy did not heed the protest and gave Pfost a good job. Pfost has never liked Breidenthal since the bunco' cplsode at Lawrence, and Breidenthal is glad of at Lawrence, and Breidenthal is glad of

Steve Osborn, of Saline, speaker of the house last winter, while here yesterday un-

alina committee.'
confess that I tried to put up a committee for a Western town, and hoped that my town would be selected. But I did not exact a pledge from a single member. I selected Western members, thinking that they would, of course, stand by some Western town. But they didn't. The very men whom we all expected to stay by Chy Center or Salina voted for Parsons. How do those pelicans who are eulogizing me think I could 'stack' the committee, when my appointments had to be confirmed on roll call by the house? Strewd men were watching the matter, and had I attempted t my appointments would have been urned down with a dull thud. Had I turned down with a dull thud. Had I wanted to be dishonest I could not have carried the deal through. In the first place, a man who will promise in advance that he will vote a certain way in order to get on a committee cannot be trusted. "Now, I will tell you the real secret of the criticism on me," concluded Judge Osborn. "It is not because I did not 'stack' the committee for Salina. I am a Burton man, and a certain crowd at Salina don't want me to come back to the legislature next year. They are using the asylum matter to build a fire under me. They are figuring that I will be a candidate. They may discover before long that they are wasting powder. At the present time I have no idea of being a candidate. I have no desire to come back."

Ex-Governor A. P. Riddle, of Minneau

## THE SURGEON'S KNIFE

ONCE BELIEVED TO BE THE ONLY CURE FOR PILES AND RECTAL DISEASES.

A Better Way Now Discovered, Which Cures Every Form of Piles Without

Many people suffer the pain, annoyance and other serious results from piles, for years, and after trying the many lotions salves, cintments and the many so-called cures without cure or relief, give up the hope of final cure, rather than submit to the intense pain and danger which a sur-

the intense pain and danger which a sur-gical operation involves.

Happily, all this suffering is no longer necessary, since the discovery of the Pyra-mid Pile Cure; a remedy which is approved by medical profession as being absolutely safe, free from any trace of opiates, nar-cotic or mineral poisons, and which may be

cotic or mineral poisons, and which may be depended upon as a sure cure (not only relief) for any form of piles, whether liching, blind, bleeding or protruding. Some of the hundreds of cures recently made are a little short of marvelous, as a perusal of the following will demonstrate:

Major Dean, of Columbus, O., says; "I wish to add to the number of certificates as to the benefit derived from the Pyramid Pile Cure. I suffered from piles for torty years and from itching piles for twenty years, and two boxes of the Pyramid Pile Cure has effectually cured me."

Dr. J. W. Meagan, of Leonardville, Kas., writes: "I have used one box of Pyramid Pile Cure and received more benefit and relief than from any remedy I had used in

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ferred from piles for six years; have just
ed the Pyramid Pile Cure and am a well

nan." Mrs. M. C. Hinkly, 601 Mississippi street Mrs. M. C. Hinkly, 601 Mississippi street, Indianapolis, 1nd., says: "I have been a sufferer from the pain and annoyances of piles for fifteen years. The Pyramid Pile Cure and the Pyramid Pilis gave me immediate relief, and in a short time a complete cure."

The Pyramid Pile Cure may be found at demonstrate at 16 cents and \$1.00 per pack.

druggists at 50 cents and \$1.00 per package. A book on cause and cure of all forms of piles will be sent by mail by addressing the Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall,

The Wonderful New Discovery Medical Science.

Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail. Swamp-Root, discovered by the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, is wonder successful in promptly curing kidney, bladder and uric acid troubles.

Some of the early symptoms of weak kidneys are pain or dull ache in the back, rhumatism, dizziness, headache, nervousness, catarrh of the bladder, gravel or calculi, bloating, sallow complexion, puffy or dark circles under the eyes, suppression of urine or compelled to pass water often day The mild and extraordinary effect of the famous new discovery, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stand the highest for its wonderful cures of th

the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best.

Sold by druggists in fifty cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle of Dr. Klimer's Swamp-Root and a pamphlet that tells all about, including many of the thousands of letters received from sufferers cured, both sent free by mail. Write Dr. Klimer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and please mention that you read this generous offer in The Kansas City Sunday Journal. Sunday Journal

olis, and W. M. Wallace, of Kingman, depolis, and W. M. Wallace, of Kingman, deputy revenue collector, are no longer friends. They broke on account of a mistake male by a clerk in the governor's office similar to the Pete Foley affair. For many years Riddle and Wallace were fast friends, both politically and in lodge affairs. Probably the latter brought them the more closely together. Riddle helped to make Wallace grand master workman of the Kansas A. O. U. W. twice, and Wallace helped Riddle on many occasions in lodge fights.

When Governor Stanley was inducted into office Governor Riddle applied for his old position as state insurance superintendent. He filed a big batch of indorsements and made a strong pull for the place. But he

Incy seem very anxious to switch me off for insurance superintendent," said he. "They say I can have the nomination for that office by acclamation. Well, I don't want it. A number of Populist leaders think I made a lot of money out of that office. I want one of them making the charge to get the office. Then they will find out that there is not as much in it as they now think. I am a candidate for governor and not for insurance superintendent."

The Breidenthal-Harris-Simpson-Botkin-Vincent-Semple faction of Pops declare it would never do to nominate McNail. They say his record as insurance superintendent. They have been dead to be utterly until in every way for the position of insurance superintendent. The protest was signed by his oldtime friend—W. M. Wallace.

It is regarded by the Copeland county contingent as a certainty that W. J. Buchan, of Wyandotte, will make another effort next year to secure the Republican nomination for congress in the Second district. He has always cherished an ambition to go to congress, but has never been able to land thus far. He was the leading candidate at Ottawa the last time, but the opposition got together on the third day and nominated J. D. Bowersock. Buchan has always been strong in Douglas county—Congressman Bowersock's own home—and it is within the range of possibility that the fight to dethrone Bowersock may be instituted in Douglas. Bowersock political manager before the convention and during the campaign that followed was Ellas Summerfield, of Lawrence. Summerfield has always been given the credit of bringing about Bowersock's nomination. After the election the two fell out and Summerfield has told a number of people that Bowersock would have trouble to get his home delegation the next time. Buchan's friends will endeavor to enlist Summerfield in their cause. If they succeed the fight in Douglas will be hot and heavy, for Bowersock can't expect a renomination unless he carries his own county. Buchan will have a fight on his hands in Wyandotte, but as the party machinery, the police board and the county and city officials are all on his side his friends believe he will get the delegation there with It is regarded by the Copeland county

Secretary of State George A. Clark harbors a desire to go to congress at the harbors a desire to go to congress at the expiration of his second term as secretary to f state and he will no doubt enter the large in the Fifth district in 1902. Clark is one of the shrewdest politicians in the state. He has a mysterious way about him and on account of this is known as "Mysterious George" among the politicians. But he generally gets what he goes after. No Republican in the state has succeeded in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he. He is a warm personal friend of ex-Con-

Tomlinson, recently appointed by Governor Stanley, to-day announced that William Thomson, of this city, would be his deputy Thomson, of this city, would be his deputy. Mr. Thomson was sergeant-at-arms of the lower house of the last legislature. There has been a deadlock over this appointment for several weeks, and strong pressure was brought to bear on Warden Tomilnson by the directors of the penitentiary to have either Dan Dyer, of the Topeka Capital. or O. S. Hyatt, of Leavenworth, appointed as deputy warden. The appointment of Thomson is generally satisfactory to the Republicans of Kansas.

### PRINCE RUDOLPH'S DEATH. Latest Version Is That He Shot Himself Beside His Dead Sweet-

LONDON, June 24.-Every now and then new version of the tragic death of the crown prince of Austria are published and they always attract attention. The West End now asserts that it has obtained the "true story" of the tragedy of Prince Rudolph's death, "gathered from an undeniable source." This version of the affair says; "As is well known, the crown prince deeply loved the Baroness Marie Vetsera. He wrote a letter to the pope praying for a dispensation and intercesion with the emperor to allow him to re inquish his title to the throne and retire

sion with the emperor to allow him to relinquish his title to the throne and retire into private life. The pope sent the letter to Emperor Francis Joseph and an agonizing interview between the father and son followed and lasted all night long. Fimily Rudolph promised to give up the baroness, and the lovers met at Rudolph's shooting box, at Mayerling, for a last farewell. The company at dinner included Prince Philip, of Coburg, and Count Hoyos. The wine passed freely and the evening was spent in singing and laughter, though it was remarked that the gayety of Prince Rudolph and Baroness Marie Vetsera seemed forced.

"Toward 1 o'clock in the morning the baroness complained of being ill and retired to her bedroom. At 2, after having consumed almost a decanter of brandy. Rudolph bade his friends good night and entered the baroness' bedroom. The next morning Rudolph's confidant. Sratfisch, knocked at the door and there was no response. He then entered, staggered back and fainted at the ghastly sight. Lying on the sofa, completely covered with wild flowers, was Vetsera, dead. Alongside her lay her lover, Rudolph, clutching a heavy cavalry pistol, the back of his head shot off. A doctor was summoned and his evidence refutes the statement that the lovers died together. He certified that the baroness died at 1 o'clock from strychnine poisoning and that Rudolph died at 2 from a pistol shot. The baroness left four letters, addressed to Emperor Francis Joseph, her mother, her cousin, Baltassi, and to Prince Rudolph. The latter was the direct cause of the crown prince's suicide. Grief stricken at the sight of the dead woman, he found at her bedside a penciled note, wet with tears, as follows:

"My only beloved Rudolph: 1 die because I cannot live without you. You promised to make me your wife, but you have broken your word. I forgive you. If you love me, come, follow me.

"The note is now in the possession of Emperor Francis Joseph. Baroness Vetsera's body was not removed to Venice, as asserted. It was buried in a little mon

It is on record that no fewer than twenty-three persons were killed by a man-cating panther in the Ellichpore district, Hyderabad, during the past twelve months, says the Morning Post, of Delhi. The brute remains at large, despite the reward of 300 rupees offered for his destruction.

The Terror of Hyderabad.

An Incentive. From the Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Figg.—"I ought to go to that club meeting this afternoon, but I can't get up enough energy to start."

Mr. Figg.—"Would it help you along if I were to tell you not to go?"

# M'NALL'FESSES UP LIFE SAVED BY SWAMP-ROOT. OKLAHOMA GOSSIP

APPOINTMENT OF CENSUS SUPER-VISOR EXPECTED SOON

M'MASTERS BREAKS

PRINTS A WARM ROAST OF TRANS-MISSISSIPPI CONGRESS.

Temple Houston and His Peculiarities -An Oklahoman Who Fought in Two Wars Within a Year-Pawnee Wants a Railroad.

GUTHRIE, O. T., June 24.-(Special.) t is believed that the next census supervisor for Oklahoma will be named in a short time. The work of preparing for the performance of his duties will require considerable time and it is expected that it will soon be begun.

The census reports will be made up during the month of June, 1900, to be completed at the end of the next fiscal year. After his appointment the supervisor will be required to take an examination proving his fitness and the large number of subordinates to be appointed must be thoroughly instructed regarding their duties. The contest for the chief position has been an interesting one, although free from bitterness. Delegate Dennis Flynn early indorsed the candidacy of William Grimes, of Kingfisher, chairman of the Republican territorial central committee. while Governor Barnes lent his suppor to Mayor Ben Berkey. Secretary Jenkins to Mayor Een Berkey. Secretary Jenkins indorsed O. A. Mitscher, of Okiahoma City, and reports from Washington indicate that he is well to the front in the contest. Mitscher is a through and through McKinley man-one of the "originals"-and has the friendship of Flynn and Barnes, as well as the indorsement of Jenkins.

The published edition of Governor Barnes annual report to the secretary of the interior this year will be an unusually interesting document. The book will contain, in addition to the usual reports of the subordinate officials and data setting forth the advantages and natural resources of the territory, a number of pictures illustrating sights and scenes in Oklahoma. The book will be given wide distribution and should prove a good advertisement for Oklahoma. Private Secretary Fred L. Wenner is collecting the photographs which will consist of town and farm views and hunting and fishing scenes in Washita and other counties. annual report to the secretary of the in-

Oklahoma City has a young man who has won honors in two wars. His name is Edwin H. Miller, and his father is Rev. Dr. J. K. Miller, a pastor at Junction City, Kas. The young man is a printer. When the rough riders were enlisted in Oklahoma, Miller appeared as a volunteer, but he was too tail and heavy for army requirements, and was rejected. He fol-lowed the fighters into Texas, but failed in three subsequent attempts to secure a place in the ranks. Finally he appealed in person to Colonel Roosevelt, and obtained the following letter:

"Examining Surgeon:—Examine this man but have bits man and have been supported by DOOSEVEY T."

"Examining Surgeon:—Examine this man and have him mustered in. ROOSEVELT."

He became a member of Troop L, First United States volunteer cavalry, and went with his regiment to Cuba, participating in the battle of San Juan.

Young Miller was mustered out in September, 1898, and, after a month's visit, enlisted in Funston's Twentleth Kansas, going with the Jayhawkers to the Philippines. He already has won his second bunch of

He already has won his second bunch of laurels under the Kansas hero, The town of Pond Creek, in Grant coun-

house last winter, while here yesterday unmuzzled himself and talked very pointedly concerning the criticism being heaped upon him in his own county over the new asylum location fight. As speaker of the house, he had to appoint five of the house, he had to appoint five of the nine members of the location committee. Salina was a candidate for the asylum. Some of the people of Balina blame Osborn for not "stacking" the committee for his own town.

"Mysterious George" among the politicians. But he generally gets what he goes after. No Republican in the state has succeeded in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he. He is a warm personal friend of ex-Congressman Calderhead and has always been one of his most ardent supporters. He will endeavor to bring about Calderhead's renomination for codgress next year by accument to the countil, aren't they?" he began. "They are giving me the devil because I would not be dishonest. Well, I can stand it. If I have to surrender my manhood and resort to dishonest tricks to retain their friendship I guess I will have to worry along without it. They jumped me before the site was selected because I had not put up a Clay Center committee. After the site was selected because I had not put up a Clay Center had lost, they crawled my frame because I did not fix up a "Salina committee."

Topeka, June 24.—(Special.) Warden of the lawessness of the decision of the supreme count in han he succeed in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he succeed in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he succeed in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he succeed in landing more friends in office under the Stanley administration than he as user personal friend of ex-Congressman Calderhead and has always been one of his most ardent supporters. He will end was reversed by the court of last resort, diditor personal friend of ex-Congressman to step as the personal friend of ex-Congressm and any who do not fall in with and con-cede the demands of the lawlessness of those who have given Pond Creek a very unsavory reputation. The burning of a per-son in effigy is but a cowardly way of man-ifesting what they would do if they had the courage of their convictions; it shows the spirit of the mob element that has possessed from its incorporation."

Frank McMasters, who publishes Mc-Masters' Magazine, an illustrated monthly, at Okiahoma City, is thoroughly imbued with the idea that the trans-Mississippi commercial congress at Wichita was owned, controlled and operated by the great "Mark Hanner." He says editorially in the June number: "The trans-Mississippi congress, as held at Wichita on last week is a gross humbur a colossal ossession. in the June number: 'The trans-Missis-sippi congress, as held at Wichita on last week, is a gross humbug, a colossal combination of inferior appetites, an injudicious selection of political microbes. Its labors represent no people, express no popular sentiment and indorse neither a want nor a conviction of the great West. \* \* The chief spokesman and manipulator was Mr. Thurber, of New York city, who represented the subsidy scheme of the seaboard. The debate on the subsidy resolution was limited to thirty minutes, and Mr. Thurber, assisted by the president of the congress, consumed most of this, Time was allowed to a party who described himself as the representative of the Kansas shipbuliders to advocate the subsidy resolutions for ocean vessels. A Kansas shipbulider must have pienty of restrial leisure to study the great problems, and this one justified the belief that he, at least, was supplied with leisure. Other resolutions were passed, some of them good, but all tainted with the unfalrness possible in a body packed for such a purpose.' Mr. McMasters did not notice before the youngest and brightest child in Uncie Sam's household."

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ose." Mr. McMasters did not notice the Ponca City delegation, with its "wheat brigade," and overlooked the fact that sam's household."

In Temple Houston, of Woodward, formerly a state senator in Texas, and a son of Sam Houston, the first president of the Texas republic, conflicting characteristics are strangely combined. He is proud of his family name, of his reputation as a killer and of his peculiarities, which stamp him as a true child of the plains. He wears his hair long because it is "Western," and has his trousers made with a superabundance of cloth in the legs because this is not the style and it attracts attention. Nearly half a dozen men have aroused the ire of the frontiersman and as a result. Yet, despite this, ex-Senator Houston in conversation shows himself to be a perfect type of the true Southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of the poets and himself to be a perfect type of the true Southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of the poets and himself to be a perfect type of the true Southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of the poets and himself to be a perfect type of the true Southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of the poets and himself to be a perfect type of the true Southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of the poets and himself to be a perfect type of the true southern gentleman. Notwithstanding his proficiency in the use of ifrearms, he is esthetic in his tastes, an admirer of t

nonth were 320 cars.
"The shipments of this place were divided between the roads as follows:
"Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, 269 cars;
Frisco, eighty-six cars; C. O. & G., 289 cars;
"This is a good showing for this city,
and by this time next year it will be a
great deal larger and near to what Wichita
ships out."

Attorney General Harper S. Cunningha will in a few days file notice of appeal in will in a few days file notice of appeal in the case of Will T. Little against Terri-torial Auditor S. N. Hopkins to compel the drawing up of warrants in payment of Little's salary as custodian of the Oklaho-ma Historical Society. Judge Burford de-cided against the auditor.

This is a season of railroad building in

Oklahoma and the town of Pawnee is anx-lous to get into the push. An enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held this week at which \$25,000 was pledged, and free right of way will be given to the first railroad running into the city. The road that is first in the field will get the coin.

Oklahoma City capitalists are organizing company for the manufacture of cotton goods and will make an application for goods and will make an application to a charter soon. The association will be known as the Oklahoma City Cotton Man-ufacturing Company and will have the fol-lowing business men for its backers: Asa Jones, Anton H. Claassen, W. W. Storm, Edward Orne, R. W. Higgins, M. C. Milner, J. W. McCormack and E. E. Brown.

New Militia Captain.

GUTHRIE, O. T., June 24.—(Special.) John P. Alien has been elected captain of the Kingdisher company of the Oklahoma national guard, to succeed Elmer Solomon, resigned. The new captain was formerly sergeant of Company C, of the First territorial regiment. territorial regiment.

THE WIRE ACROSS AFRICA. They Are Pushing the Telegraph Forward at the Rate of Two

neer venture, requiring special plans and devices for construction and for insuring its safety and durability as far as possible. The line is already building in the wilderness, far north of the Zambesi, and at last accounts the poles were being reared and the wire strung on the plateau between Lakes Nyassa and Tanganyika, one of the favorite haunts of the wild elephant. These animals, in fact, have seldom been in herds so large as near the north end of Nyassa. Some interesting facts have come from the lake region descriptive of the way in which the wires are being strung in wild Africa.

Africa.

The most responsible part of the work is in charge of Mr. Otto Beringer, who is about 39 years of age. Having advanced his surveys and preparations for the pole rearing about 220 miles beyond the point reached by the constructors, who are going ahead at the rate of two miles a day, he is now on a flying visit to England. The completion of two miles a day is very excellent work considering that the poles, wires and other material must be transported hundering that the poles, wires and other material must be transported hun-dreds of miles from the coast and that an enormous amount of work must be done to prepare the route for the construction parties. Five parties are engaged in the work and the total force employed is ten white men and about 1,000 blacks. Mr. Berwhites and 200 natives. He selects the route and his advance party consists of two whites and 200 natives. He selects the route the telegraph is to follow and clears a path for it about fifteen feet wide. This is no easy matter, for it involves cutting a way through the dense grass and jungle, often eleven feet high. The second party follows and widens the fifteen foot path to sixty feet more or less, according to the nature of the country. It is easy to see why so wide a path is necessary. There will be no linemen every few miles, as in our country, to keep the service in repair, and it will be far more costly than in civilized lands to mend a broken wire or repair other damages. So every preliminary precaution must be taken. No tree must be left which, falling, would break the wire, and therefore thousands of trees, many of them of great size, are being cut down, and Mr. Beringer thinks that some of them are 3,000 years old.

Then comes the third next, which also

size, are being cut down, and Mr. Beringer thinks that some of them are 3,000 years old.

Then comes the third party, which digs the holes, and this is closely followed by the fourth detachment, which plants the poles, and finally come the wire-stringers, who complete the work. The poles are of iron and have all been sent out from England. None of them weighs less than 100 pounds, and most of them rise fourteen feet above the ground. These are the shortest poles, and higher and heavier ones are used where it is necessary to make the spans of unusual length. When the line has to cross guilles or streams it is not unusual for the spans to attain a length of 100 to 750 feet.

The line has been carried up the west coast of Lake Nyassa and will now pass to the west of Lake Tanganyika through Congo State territory. It will connect about half way up the lake with the branch line the Congo State is building up the Congo from the Atlantic to the lake. Then the line will pass along the west shores of Victoria Nyanza, in German territory, to Uganda, and from this point it will be in British or Egyptian territory all the way down the Nile. It is predicted that it will be a great boon to the continent when this enterprise brings Central Africa into close touch with the rest of the world. It is not so very long ago that explorers required from six to eight months to reach regions whose news happenings of importance will soon be read by all the civilized world the day after their occurrence. We shall then be able to hear in a few hours from the place where Livingstone lived for many months while the world was wondering if the great man had not perished in the midst of his work. while the world was wondering if the great man had not perished in the midst of his

## LA ROQUETTE IS DOOMED.

Famous French Prison Is to Be De molished in the Near

Future. The prison of La Roquette in Paris, in front of which the guillotine is erected whenever there is an execution, is to be demolished. It was in this famous build-

The Oklahoma City Times-Journal indulges in a little excusable boasting as follows:

"The report for the month of May of the different railroads, showing car lot shipments from different towns and cities in the West, shows that the shipments from Oklahoma City for the month named were 64 cars. For Wichita, Kas., for the same month were 320 cars.

"The shipments of the release of the same and the control of the same month were 320 cars.

"The shipments of the release of the same are sent among those who have the and some years ago was known as Marie Louise Davitt, a journalist, of Brooklyn. The Swami Viri Kananda was then the teacher of his faith in this country, and Misso Davitt was said to be his first convert. She was "ordained" in New York four years since, and has arisen from one grade to another until she has become a Swami.

Bookworms Going Out of Business. Modern books, however rapidly they may leteriorate from other causes, are protect deteriorate from other causes, are protected from bookworms by the chemicals used in paper making. Such, at least, is the conclusion of Dr. Garnett, who after forty-eight years of service as keeper of printed books at the British museum, is able to say that he has seen only one bookworm, and that was imported from Crete.

Electrical Sheep Shearing. An electrical sheep shearing machine has been installed at the state experimental farm, at Madison, Wis. It is really a big hair clipper run by an electric motor and a man can easily shear forty sheep a day with it.

# WAR SEEMS NEAR WHY THEY WROTE.

TRANSVAAL SITUATION SHOWS NO IMPROVEMENT.

FAST BECOMING INTOLERABLE

BRITISH GOVERNMENT REFUSES ALL INFORMATION.

Energetic Preparations Being Made to Meet All Contingencies-General Sir Redvers Buller Is Likely to Command the

British Forces.

nificant. He was questioned as to the truth of the report that the British garrison in South Africa was to be gradually increased to 40,000 men. Had the government wished to give a pacificatory answer, with the view of allaying the anxiety here and at the Cape, the question offered an ample opportunity, but Mr. Wyndham replied in two words: "No, sir."

The truth is that, whatever plans the government has decided on, the ministers regard it as impolitic to contradict reports, however extravagant, of its warlike intentions, because of the reverberations. These reports cannot fail to produce at Pretoria

however extravagant, of its warlike inten-tions, because of the reverberations. These reports cannot fail to produce at Pretoria an effect which it would be foolish to im-pair by hasty denials or ratifications. At the same time, daily, almost hourly, tele-grams are arriving, announcing energetic preparations in South Africa for all con-tingencies. ingencies. While it is not true that General Sir Red-

While it is not true that General Sir Redvers Butler has already been appointed to command the expedition, there is no doubt he will make a big bid for the command. He has been heard to remark in private conversation that he reserved himself for a "go" at the Boers, to repay them some old grudges.

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RASH VOWS OF MEN.

Woman appears to be at the root of many of these eccentric vows; for it was a hatred of the sex that impelled a once well known lawyer to swear that he would never speak to a woman again as long as he lived. Nothing would induce him to see a lady client; and he would never conduct a case in which a woman appeared as witness. He never employed a female servant, and deliberately "cut" all his lady acquaintances.

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The inevitable result was that the men deserted him, his practice dwindled, and he died, less than a year ago, alone and untended, in a squalld room in Dalston.

With Dewey and Otis. From the Chicago News.

Mrs. Stubbs-"Oh, dear, I wish the war was over."
Mr. Stubbs—"It is all over."
Mrs. Stubbs—"Over? And our men fighting every day near Manila?"
Mr. Stubbs—"Yes, the war's over in the

### Raw as Beef From Eczema.

Eczema is more than skin-deep. The disease itself, the real cause of the trouble, is in the blood, although all suffering is produced through the the only way to reach the disease, therefore, is through the blood. Mr. Phil T. Jones, of Mixersville, Ind., writes:

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"I had Ecsema thirty years, and after a great deal of treatment my leg was so raw and and sore that it gave me constant pain. It finally broke into a running sore, and began to spread and grow worse. For the past five or aix years I have suffered untold agony and had given up all hope of ever being free from the disease, as I have been treated by some of the best physicians and have

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to tare S. S. S., and it apparently made the Eczema worse, but I knew that this was the way the remedy got rid of the poison. Continuing S. S. S., the sore healed up entirely, the skin became clear and smooth, and I was cured perfectly."

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for Some Books of the Day.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.
The June number of Book News contains replies to inquiries put to several authors of works of current popularity as to their motives in writing them, or the sources of you are, or if you replies to inquiries put to several authors of works of current popularity as to their their inspiration.

their inspiration.

Julian Ralph says: "I wrote 'An Angel ing from womb in a Web because I was awakened every trouble, nervousnight at midnight by a ghost who opened ness and lack of vi-the wardrobe, poked an imaginary fire, being the tality, write to Dr. Bennett for his night at midnight by a ghost who opened the wardrobe, poked an imaginary fire, poured out water, washed his face and hands and pretty generally made himself at home in my bedroom. While I lay listening to him I got a new view of ghosts. I ceased to think creepily of them and fancied them as exerting a kindly, guidling, protecting influence upon some of us. So I conceived the novel in question. Later I discovered that my ghost was a man who lived next door and came home regularly at midnight—his noises sounding faintly through the thin wall of the two houses. But there, perhaps I am spoiling a good story by exposing the machinery of book.

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From the New York Sun.

The telegraph line now building to connect the Cape of Good Hope with the Mediterannean will pass through a greater extent of wholly undeveloped country than any other line in the world. For a distance equal to that between New York city and San Francisco the natives living near the route have rarely seen a white man, and are almost untouched as yet by white influences. The enterprise is largely a ploneer venture, requiring special plans and devices for construction and for insuring its safety and durability as far as possible. The line is already building in the wilderness, far north of the Zambesi, and at last accounts the poles were being reared and the wire strung on the plateau between Lakes Nyassa and Tanganyika, one of the favorite haunts of the wild elephant. These salminals, in fact, have seldom been in hereads so large as near the north end of Nyassa. Some interesting facts have come from South Africa was to be exceeded as to the favorite haunts of the wild elephant. These some interesting facts have come from South Africa was to be exceeded as to the favorite haunts of the wild elephant. These some interesting facts have come from South Africa was to be exceeded by so many nundreds of present than the north of the sardy and the repeated circumstantial assertions of the closeting of the British micro of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling life so enthusiastically praised by Rudyard the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling. The chall of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whaling if se of the Cachalot, the story of a whalin my ghost."
Frank T. Bullen says of "The Cruise copyright, but I am glad to see that I wa right in my belief that the book would find favor in the United States. And although I did not derive the slightest pecuniary benefit, I am proud and happy to have written a book that Americans appreciate."

George W. Cable says his first purpose in writing "Strong Hearts" was "to please—to make its readers happier—but happier through pleasure, not through tribulation or dull labor; and therefore to do them some spiritual good through and in this pleasure, so that the happiness may be lasting-permanent; their own hearts be stronger when they lay down the story and take up life again. I wanted them to find it easier after reading than before to see and grasp the soul sustaining poetry of their own lives."

Helen Ainslie Smith says of her "History of Japan:" "Young children, before they can read more than the simplest words, seem to me to have an appetite for bistore which is of the strong which is offer which is offer which is the strong which is the strong the part of the property of the strong which is the strong the part of the property which is the strong the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the strong the property of the property which is the property of the property which is the property of the pr

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LAVISH IN ENTERTAINING.

Money Seems More Pientiful Than Ever Among London Society Folks.

LONDON, June 24.—The season, on the whole, is proving most successful, and the shopkeepers and dressmakers are jubilant. They say they were never so busy late in the season as during the present year, one reason given being the extreme fragile character of the dress materials which are now fashionable. Instead of dresses lasting a season, as usual, laddes are obliged to have entirely new outfits in the middle of the season. Money seems in every way plentiful. The lavish entertainments of past seasons have been surpassed

### WOMAN IN THE PILOT HOUSE.

Captain M. Marle Windsor Will Steer a Fleet of Househoats on the Mississippi. From the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

One Would Not Sleep Until He Had Solved a Problem—Another Shunned Women.

Prom an Exchange.

A story is told of a young man in the Midlands, a great chess enthusiast, who was so annoyed at his failure to solve an apparently simple problem, that he vowed he would neither sleep nor eat until the solution was found. He shut himself up in a disused room, and was found four days later by his relatives, terribly emaciated and out of his mind. He spent a year in a lunatic asylum as the result of his rash vow; and the problem remains unsolved.

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Mrs. Windsor will soon start for St. Louis as commodore of an imposing squadron. The Bonnie Marie will escort a handsome houseboat luxuriously fitted and boasting even porcelain bath tubs. Professor Windsor himself has chartered the City of Hudson. That steamer will conduct two other houseboats and an "auditorium barge." The barge will seat 1,000 people. Several small launches will complete the squadron. Setting sail June 25 from Stillwater, the professor, his rosy pilot and his 1,000 seats will progress gradually toward the Gulf of Mexico. Stops will be made at river towns, where excursions will be arranged. During the excursion the sitters in the 1,000 seats will hear lectures upon phrenology and vitasophy and will see stereopticon views. Persons of navigating tendency will be induced to hire other houseboats and accompany the expedition. During the summer months the Bonnie Marie will not whistle south of Davenport, ia., but that flagship will go out of cert. houseboats and accompany the expedition. During the summer months the Bonnie Marie will not whistle south of Davenport, Ia., but that flagship will go out of comla., but that flagship will go out of com-mission only when, late next fall or some warm day next winter, Pilot Marie touches her gold-laced cap in honor of the harbor master on the levee at New Orleans.

She Did Not Cheer.

From the New York Tribune. From the New York Tribune.

While the soldiers were passing down Flith avenue on Memorial day there was one woman who did not cheer. She sat huddled up in a corner of a Thirty-fifth street car, which stopped to let the procession pass by. The woman was old and feeble, and her black cotton gloves were darned in several places. She held two French text books in her hand. A band came along playing a martial air, and the little old woman bit her lips, but two tears rolled down her cheeks in spite of her effort to be brave.

"My boy was at San Juan," she said; "he was my only one. Now I must teach to support myself. I hope they won't be long. The people are cross if I get there late."

New Women in German

New Women in Germany.

Notwithstanding the settled condition of the "Hausfrau." Germany bids fair to be the field on which the great battle of woman's rights will be fought out to its bitter end. The League of Women's Associations is growing day by day more powerful, and the influence of its 24.000 members makes itself felt even in the reichstag. In Bavaria, Wurtemburg. Hesse and Saxe-Wlemer the appointment of female sanitary inspectors has been secured, and this is pretty certain to be followed by like success in Prussia, where the state orphanages of Berlin are henceforth to have a certain proportion of women on the official staff.

The Cardinal and the Casulat rom the Boston Journal.

From the Boston Journal.

The casuist, who was dining with the cardinal, was famous for beginning every sentence with the phrase, "I make a distinction," and his host, wishing to "draw" him for the general entertainment, asked him, as the soup was served: "Pray, father, can you tell us if it is ever lawful to baptize in soup?" "I make a distinction, your eminence," replied the casuist; "with ordinary soup it is by no means lawful to perform baptism, but your eminence's soup is perfectly suitable, as it differs in no way from water."

### Natural Inference.

from water.

rom the Chicago Post.
"Such an insult!" she exclaimed.
"What?" he asked. "Why, you know what long hair Brown ho married Miss Smith to-day, always has

"Of course,"
"Well, just be "Well, just before he became a benedict he had it cut short. Just think of the natur-

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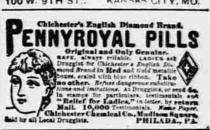


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